



PRESS RELEASE

ELYRIA, OHIO - With the purchase of the assets of Quality Blow Molding in Elyria, Ohio in July by Chapin Custom Molding expansion is already underway. Recently installed is a new dual 15 pound blow molder that recently completed a full rebuild at their Batavia plant. The machine offers 60 inch by 60 inch of free platen with 30 inch center spacing. A dual 20 pound molder was also moved to the plant and will be brought online this spring with 60 inch by 60 inch of free platen with 36 inch center spacing. Construction has begun on a new 250,000 pound bulk silo to feed the larger shot machines. Chapin has continued to expand their offering in monolayer blow molding seeing strong demand in retail goods, lawn and garden products automotive, toys and power equipment components.

They have also signed an agreement to lease an additional 55,000 square feet nearby to expand assembly and warehousing operations in Elyria starting January 1. Many of their customers are looking for complete products along with some difficult to run parts. The additional space will allow for great flexibility in CCM's production planning and product offering.

With this expansion, 50 new jobs will be added to meet production needs.

Chapin believes that the custom blow molding market is ready for increased capacity and they will be there to meet demand on time and on budget.